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	Kiley Stoner	1725
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1. This communication is responsive to <u>5-28-04</u> .		
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-20,22,23 and 35-39</u> .		
3. The drawings filed on are accepted by the Examiner.		
 4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a)		
 Attachment(s) 1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. ☑ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/O Paper No./Mail Date 1-2-04 and 6-6-02 4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material 	6. Interview Summary Paper No./Mail Dat 08), 7. Examiner's Amendr	e
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DETAILED ACTION

Drawings

The drawing corrections received on 5-28-04 are approved by the Examiner.

New corrected drawings are required in this application because the replacement drawings were not received by the Examiner. Only the drawings showing the changes were received. Applicant is advised to employ the services of a competent patent draftsperson outside the Office, as the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office no longer prepares new drawings. The corrected drawings are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. The requirement for corrected drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Terminal Disclaimer

The terminal disclaimer filed on 5-28-04 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of 6,270,730 has been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-20, 22-23 and 35-39 are allowed.

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kiley Stoner whose telephone number is (571) 272-1183. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday (7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tom Dunn can be reached on Monday-Friday at (571) 272-1171. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

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